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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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| Application No.  | : | 10/781,913   |
| Applicant        | : | Thilo Rusche, et al.                                   |
| Confirmation No. | : | 5324   |
| Filed            | : | February 20, 2004                                      |
| TC/A.U.          | : | 2144   |
| Examiner         | : | Mesfin, Yemane M.                                      |
| Customer No.     | : | 27896  |
| Docket No.       | : | 2500.0002C (INP0005-US)                                |
| Title            | : | Dual Use Counters for Routing Loops and Spam Detection |

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**AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING**  
**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 21, 2009 and the Notice of Panel Decision from Pre-Appeal Brief Review dated January 25, 2010 (responsive to the Pre-Appeal Brief Request for Review filed November 23, 2009), please amend the above-identified application as follows:

No extension of time or other fees are believed to be due. However, any extension of time necessary to prevent abandonment is hereby requested, and any fee necessary for consideration of this response is hereby authorized to be charged to Deposit Account No. 05-0460.

**Amendments to the Specification:** None.

**Amendments to the Claims:** reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks:** begin on page 6 of this paper.